new session, it is untenable. If this answered in the first Council, it will hold good, because the Council continue as one.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—No definite assurance was given on the subject before and the Secretary was wrong.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ—ഒന്നായിട്ട ഹിന്ദുബ്രാഹ്മണൻ എന്നു പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുണ്ട്. സെൻസസ്സ് റിപ്പോർട്ടിൽ ഹിന്ദുബ്രാഹ്മണൻ എന്നു കണ്ടിട്ടില്ല.

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. എസ്സ്. നാരായണസ്വാമി.—അങ്ങിനെയും ഉണ്ടായിരിക്കും.

Appointment of Head clerks of Registry Offices as Registrars.

60. Mr. P. Govinda Menon—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(1) how many Head clerks are there in the Registration Department who have put in more than ten years' service as Head clerks?

(2) are the Head clerks of Registry Offices placed in charge of the duties of a Registrar during periods when the Registrar is on leave;

(3) are Government satisfied that these Head clerks can satisfactorily discharge the duties of a Registrar.

(4) were the Head clerks of Registry Offices being promoted as Registrars previously; what is the reason for the discontinuance of that practice;

(5) under the present policy of the Government in this matter, has any one of the persons referred to in clause (1) any chance of any promotion in their life;

(6) are the Government aware that in British India 25 per cent of the posts of Registrars are reserved to be filled up by the Head clerks of the Registry Offices;

(7) will the Government be pleased to reserve a fixed percentage of posts of Registrars to be filled up by Head clerks of Registry Offices promoted in the order of seniority?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.— (1) 22.

(2) Yes, when the vacancy is short.

(3) Yes, for such short periods.

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(4) Yes, the practice had to be suspended owing to the existing Head clerks being not graduates.

(5) Yes.

(6) No information.

(7) No, so long as they are non-graduates.

APPENDIX I.

Name of Village	Total area of grazing lands reserved as such according to Village records	Area under encroachments	Balance area available as grazing lands
Melur	30·77 acres	2·21½ acres	28·55½ acres
Pariyaram	...	...	...
Elinjipra	...	...	...
Kodasseri	...	...	...

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